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### FOR THE POOR.

THE SALE OF ROSES.

TO-DAY'S SUCCESSFUL EFFORT.

That the public of Hongkong is not indifferent to the pressing needs of the poor of the Colony is shown by the ready response made to-day to the urgent appeal by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for funds to carry on its good work in alleviating the distress only too common here. To-day's appeal took the form of a sale of roses, and few there were who could resist the appeal for a contribution, however small, when approached in street, shop, or office by the enthusiastic lady workers who commenced their charitable labours early in the day and continued them this afternoon with unflagging zeal and energy. With such success did the fair vendors prosecute their endeavours that by 1.30 this afternoon a sum of \$2,000 had been netted with more collecting boxes still to come in. That the final sum collected by this happy means will be more than commensurate with the Society's efforts there can be no room for doubt, and the money thus collected, together with that raised by next Sunday's bazaar, should go far in providing the Society with funds to carry on its splendid work in the coming year.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

### ARRIVALS.

The s.s. "Chakrang," Captain Courtney, 1,470 tons, arrived this morning at 8 a.m. from Singapore with 1,200 tons of cargo and 22 bags of mail.

The s.s. "Hohlow," Captain Christiansen, 895 tons, arrived this morning at 8 a.m. from Hongkong with 1,800 tons of coal.

### DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "West Niger," Captain Holt, sailed for San Francisco via Kobe at 10 a.m. to-day with 2,000 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Ecuador," Capt. Hunter, sailed for San Francisco via Shanghai at noon to-day with 1,664 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Namsang," Capt. Liddell, sailed for Calcutta via Singapore at 3 p.m. to-day with 2,368 tons of general cargo.

### CLEARANCES.

The s.s. "Soshu Maru," Japanese cleared to-day and will sail for Takao via Swatow at 10 a.m., to-morrow.

The s.s. "Perisa Maru," Japanese cleared to-day and will sail for San Francisco via Nagasaki at 10.30 a.m., to-morrow.

The s.s. "Sunning," Br., cleared to-day and will sail for Shanghai at noon to-morrow.

### BIG CLUB PROJECT.

TO-MORROW'S MEETING.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE PROPOSED.

The following resolutions are to be proposed at the public meeting in the Theatre Royal, to-morrow, December 2, at 5.15 p.m. in connection with the big club project:

1. That this meeting approve of the erection by public subscription of a Y. M. C. A. building, to be managed for the joint use of Navy, Army and Civilian by a joint Board of Directors.

Proposer.—H. E. The Governor, Sir R. E. Stubbs K.C.M.G.

Second.—Mr. G. M. Dodwell, A. L. Duff, K.C.B.

2. That the following gentlemen be invited to become Patrons of the said building:—H. E. The Governor, Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., H. E. Vice-Admiral Sir A. L. Duff, K.C.B., H. E. Major-General R. Venris, C.B., Commodore W. Bowden-Smith, R.N., C.B.E.

Proposer.—Hon. Mr. J. Johnston, Second.—Mr. G. M. Dodwell.

3. That the following gentlemen be appointed a Finance Committee, for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of the said building:—Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Chairman, Mr. N. J. Stubb, O.B.E., Hon. Treasurer, Mr. G. T. Edkins, Hon. Mr. J. Johnston, Mr. J. W. Graham, Mr. K. E. Greig, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Hon. Secretary.

Proposer.—Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

Second.—Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Park.

## TRAVESTIED MUSIC.

### RAGTIME BANALITIES.

### DEFILEMENT OF GOOD MUSIC.

Will nobody, asks a writer in the *Liverpool Post*, rid us of this turbulent rag time? Having juggled and waggled and hiccoughed its own inventions to death it is now getting busy, as our American friends so charmingly put it, with the defilement of melodies of the great masters of music. A few years ago Mendelssohn's "Spring Song," an easy prey, was violated to furnish some element of tunelessness to the silly dirty called "Put me on an Island." Next the Wedding march was wantonly misused for the sake of the *Wedding Guide*; then the stately introduction to the Third Act of *Lohengrin* was rifled to set the booby chorus of "Toddling Home on Sunday morning" more firmly on its legs, and now the sombre opening chords of Rachmaninoff's *Prelude* have been stolen to clothe the nakedness of a Russian fox trot or some other banality. These iniquities ought to be made indictable.

## SPORT.

### UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

### TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The following matches in the United Services Football League are down for decision to-day:—

"Ambrose" v. R.G.A., and "Tamar" v. Wiltshires.

All four teams are well matched and in fine form, and the followers of the game are assured of a good exhibition of first class football at either of the matches.

The "Tamar" v. Wiltshires match should prove a fast and exciting game. The sailors will by no means have the game all their own way if the soldiers show the same form they have been exhibiting in their last three matches. A hard tussle is anticipated, and if the soldiers take things seriously, they ought to secure the two points at stake.

An evenly contested game is also anticipated in the "Ambrose" v. R.G.A. match, and if the sailors are in the same form as that exhibited last Saturday against Kowloon, the Artillery will have a strenuous time keeping their citadel intact. In view of the fact that the gunners won by one goal to nil in a previous encounter, they are the favourites, but a draw is quite on the cards while a reverse is also not improbable.

### SANGUINARY ADJECTIVE.

### UNCONSCIOUS USE.

### AUSTRALIAN PREMIER'S LAPSE.

The sanguinary adjective is in such common use in Australia that the Prime Minister, when requested to withdraw his qualification of the lie direct which he had just handed to another member who had criticised Irish affairs with the same hectic adjective, said that he had not noticed that he had used it. A distinguished Indian who wrote a book on his experiences in England once said that he did not agree with the etymologists who derive "bloody" from the medieval oath "By our Lady!" and that in his opinion when the British working man said bloody he meant bloody—he was that sort of man. Probably he went too far in attributing to a violent mind so true an instinct for a violent adjective. It must be remembered that the English language is singularly blessed by a paucity of grammatical forms, and that the boundaries that divide parts of speech are easily overleaped. While such a language is easy to acquire in the rough, it remains true that complicated parts of speech exist for the purpose of guiding slow minds to an apprehension of meaning. In Japanese the noun even in the nominative is followed by a particle, says the *Japan Chronicle*. It is by the particle that it is known for a noun, and "bloody" in some classes of society is applied to every noun, serving the purpose of guidance in the Japanese. This is illustrated in the story of the man who could not understand the meaning of "One man one vote," until it was explained to him that it meant "One incarnadined man one incarnadined vote." No doubt Mr. Hughes used the word thus in an unconscious effort to make himself understood by the representatives of the people.

## MYSTERIES OF MEMORY.

### FREAK CALCULATORS.

### SOME STRANGE CASES.

A breeder possessed some 200 head of cattle. He had risen from the position of farm hand, had never been educated either privately or in school, yet he engaged in big buying and selling transactions.

There was not only planted in his memory the important points regarding practically every animal he had once "looked over," but also he could at once give every detail as to pedigree, prices at which each had changed hands, names of buyers and sellers. He had a remarkable memory only concerning cattle.

He possessed it largely by reason of the fact that he could neither read nor write, being obliged therefore to exercise his concentrated powers all the more.

Memory (writes Dr. Haydn Brown) is a matter of mental interest, application, and concentration—but chiefly interest.

There are people possessing remarkable memories regarding certain subjects, however, who are also great readers and writers, and who are quite interested in a large number of subjects.

The instance comes to mind of a lawyer who knows by heart nearly the whole of Bradshaw's Railway Guide, partly for the reason that his father was an engineer and took great interest in new ventures and in the management of railway systems which involved economic alteration as to times of arrival and departure.

This lawyer declared that it was quite easy for him, when new editions came out, to note the alterations in speed that had been made and to observe arrangements which were designed to suit other companies.

It is quite common for psychologists to find examples of people who display a defective mentality as a whole, but who exhibit surprising powers of memory for certain things. Thus a man is known who is "incapable of managing his own affairs" from a mental point of view but who has an extraordinarily fine knowledge of and memory for horse-racing and its statistics, yet he has never seen a horse-race in his life.

He caught the enthusiasm from once being in company with betting men who were much excited, and he afterwards watched the daily papers for reports. In this instance a portion of the brain was emotionally claimed; and this was greatly exercised, while the rest simply drifted into an idleness and indifference that was equally natural and acceptable.

### LOVER OR FRIEND?

### STARTLING QUESTION.

### CAN HUSBAND BE BOTH?

Can a husband be both lover and friend?

It sounded a startling question at first, when discussed over the tea table (writes a *Daily Chronicle* representative), but there may be something in it after all.

"Why can't I be a companion to my husband, a real chum?" asked a newly married girl of her dearest friend.

"Probably because he's in love with you still," was the reply.

"He is, tremendously," but instead of being able to help him in his work and share his worries, as I should like, I seem to hinder him. When he wants to think, he has to make an effort to shut me out."

"Of course, how can a man keep his heart and brain going at express speed at the same time? One is sure to sap the power from the other."

"But it makes me so jealous of his work. I don't want to be just a toy for his spare time."

"You're not; you're the driving force of his life, without which he would fail to get the most out of himself."

"But it doesn't seem quite fair that while I can always think of him, he has got to exert himself to forget me. I shouldn't mind quite so much if he could shut off his work when he shuts up his office; but sometimes he comes home haunted by some business worry that I should like to help him think out."

The problem opened up by this little bit of confidential chat is one of the phases of the new sex relationship. It suggests the possibility of something lacking in the truest and tenderest love.

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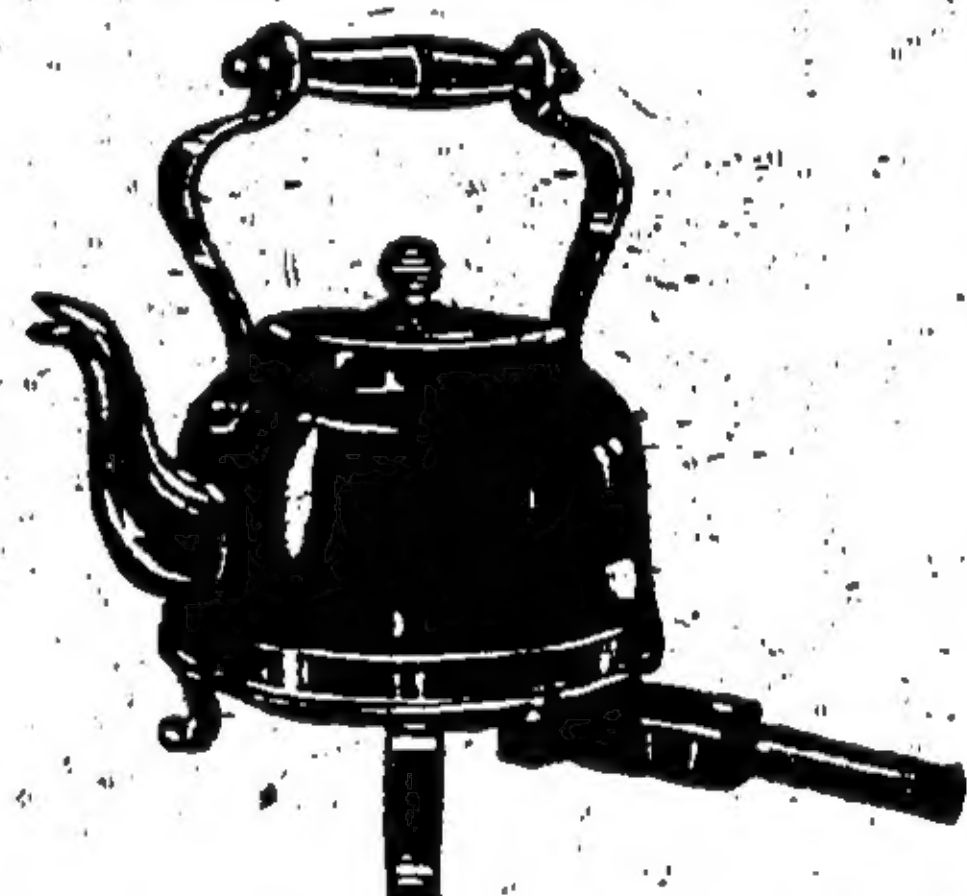
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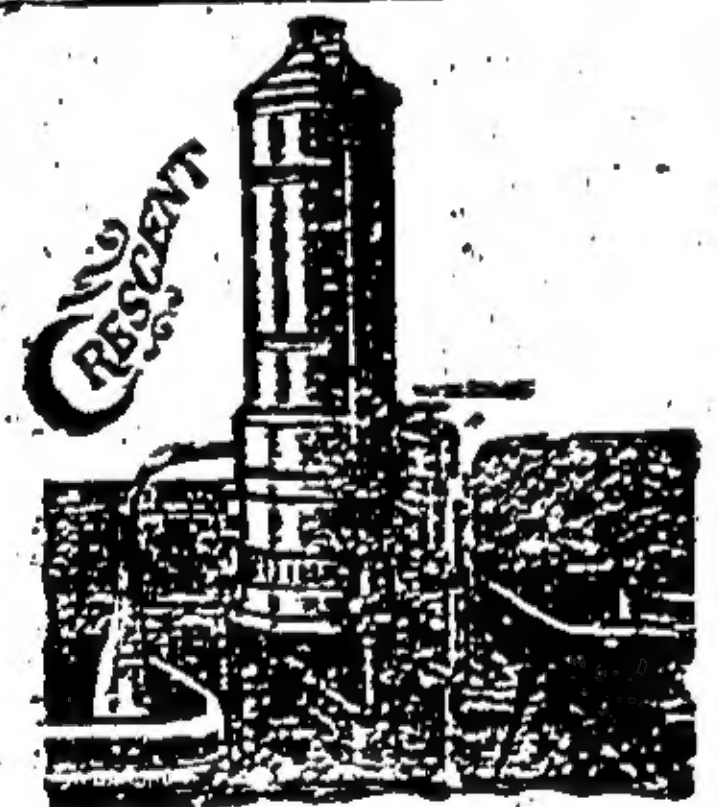
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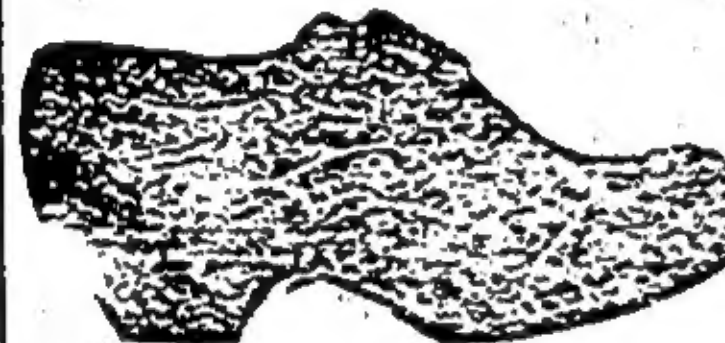
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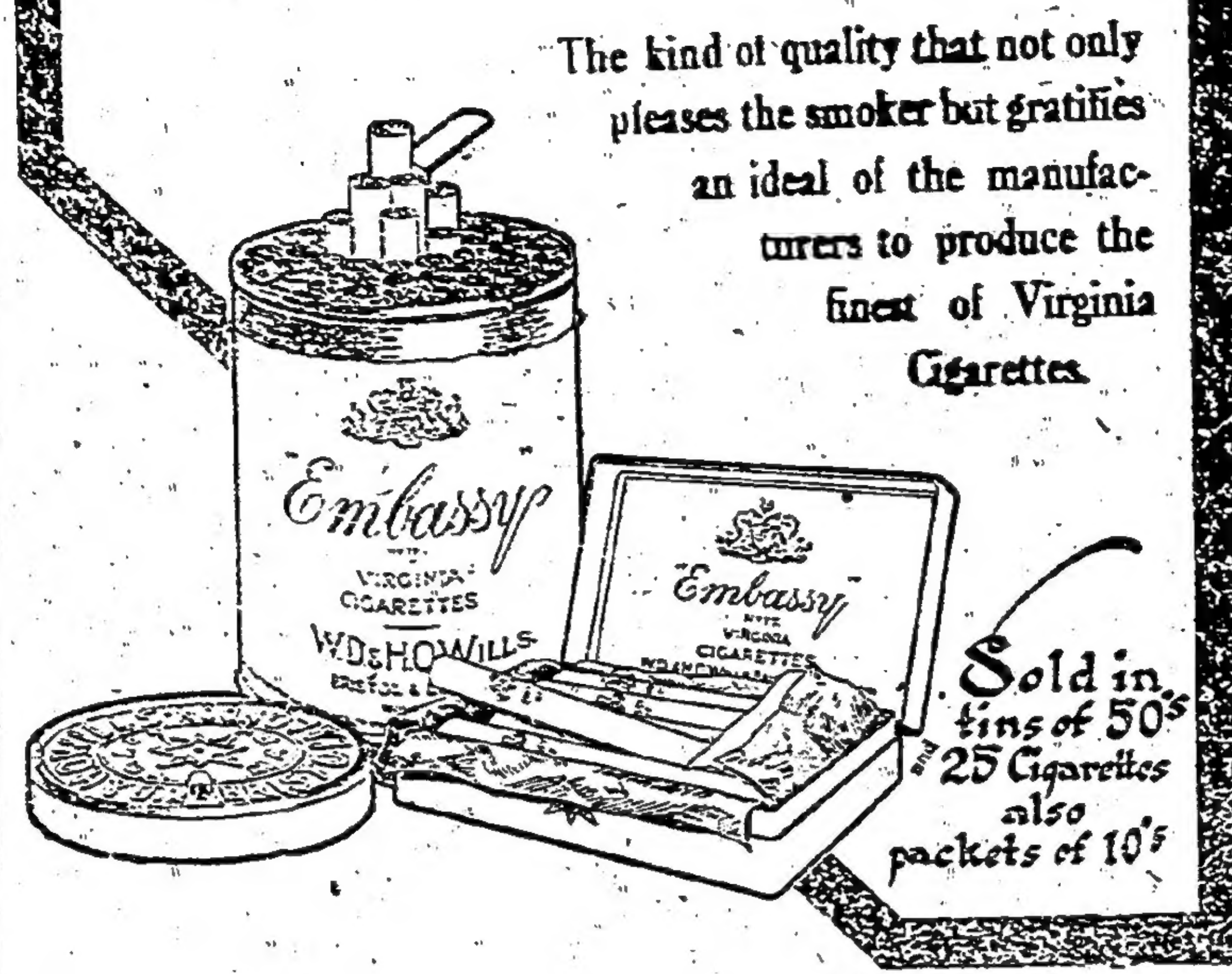
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## THE HOPE OF MILLIONS.

## SCENES AT A FAMOUS TEMPLE.

During the intense heat of the  
Tokyo summer I sought relief for a  
short period in the mountains not  
far from one of Japan's most noted  
temples, the Zenkoji, where thousands  
gather from year to year seeking  
cure or amelioration of bodily ills,  
writes the Tokyo correspondent of  
the Morning Post. The ancient edifice  
is situated in a city of some 50,000  
souls, overlooking a vast plain sloping  
gently from the highlands and is  
flanked by verdant hills. The town  
of Nagano has very good inns for  
the accommodation of devotees.

Approaching the great main gate-  
way of the temple one gazes at the  
hundreds entering and departing,  
old and young, from every corner of  
the Empire; some smiling with  
satisfaction, others looking gravely  
doubtful. A toothache or a bit of  
chronic rheumatism is a tough task,  
even for a god. The high, broad  
gateway, with its quaint roof, is  
guarded on either side by colossal  
grotesque figures, called Ni-o,  
carved by a great sculptor, and cost-  
ing more than ¥1,000,000. These are  
not gods, as some foreigners suppose;  
they are watchdogs from the nether  
regions to frighten off demons or  
other forms of evil, and serve in some  
measure the purpose of gargoyles  
and other impossible pieces of sculp-  
ture seen on churches in the West.

## AN IMPERIAL ADDRESS.

Immediately within the gate is  
the elaborate abode of a Princess  
Abbess, a member of the Japanese  
Imperial family, possibly the only  
nun-Princess in the world. It is  
not often that Japanese Buddhism  
is found thus honouring a woman;  
for until a few years ago women  
were mentioned on the same placard  
with dogs and beggars as forbidden  
to enter the precincts of temples.

In a great hall one sees innumera-  
ble small black lacquered tablets on  
pedestals like little tombstones.  
These represent the spirits of those  
for whom payment has been made  
to the temple for masses for the  
repose of their souls. It is notice-  
able that some of the tablets represent  
persons who departed this life  
centuries ago, such as Takada  
Shingen, the noted warrior of the  
civil wars. He belonged to that  
district, and if the people failed to  
appease his spirit misfortune might  
come. As these tablets number, it  
is said, more than 10,000, the revenue  
from masses alone must be consider-  
able. Small tags are seen to contain  
relics of the dead, a tooth, a finger

nail or joint, and so on, which one  
may view for a consideration. The  
whole thing reminds one very much  
of southern Italy.

The Zenkoji has many images,  
but especially a metal one of Bud-  
dha, which is alleged to date from  
975 A.D., though the additional in-  
formation that it drifted ashore on  
the neighbouring coast is apt to cast  
doubt on the reliability of the tradi-  
tion. One of the more interesting  
statues is that of Binzuru, the god  
of healing, whose more important  
physical parts are practically all  
rubbed away by patients seeking his  
healing power. The Japanese de-  
votee is not so considerate as those  
who frequent St. Peter's at Rome,  
where the patronal Apostle has lost  
only a great toe through rubbing;  
for Binzuru is sadly disfigured, being  
minus eyes and other necessities of  
deity.

## AWAKENING THE GODS.

Standing by for a moment, one  
sees a woman enter, glance about in  
awe at the sacred objects, especially  
the altar, which she at once ap-  
proaches, and then pulls a bell-rope  
to wake up the gods, for Japanese  
gods take a nap occasionally, as they  
did in the old world of Babel's time.  
She claps her hands to announce  
that she is ready to pray, and, hav-  
ing uttered her brief petition, throws  
her mite into the huge money box  
before the altar, and turns to the  
god that heals. If she has  
trachoma badly, as many worship-  
pers have, she rubs the eyes  
of Binzuru and then her own. Or,  
just as often, she rubs her own first,  
as though she would transfer the  
disease to the god, which no doubt  
she often does; and then the god  
thoughtlessly transfers it to the next  
one who rubs his bacteria-rubbed  
eyes. Often it is a mother with a  
baby on her back; and the little so-  
cres are rubbed, too, and the virtue  
of the god transferred to the ailment  
transferred to the god. To us it ap-  
pears that a little horrid solution  
would greatly assist the virtue of the  
god, if not do the whole job; but not  
to those unfortunate ones who know  
little of nothing of sanitary laws.

In a brief space every part of the  
god gets well rubbed. If there be  
any virtue in Binzuru should be  
feeling fine, though doubtless  
there can be too much of a good  
thing, as the god himself would be  
the first to admit. But gods are  
expected to suffer vicariously, and  
Binzuru comes in fully for his share.  
Having lost his eyes and most of his  
side and chest, he will in time have  
vanished. But the Zenkoji could not  
do without him, and he will be  
certain to be replaced. More than  
300,000 pilgrims visit the temple  
every year, and the revenue enjoyed  
by its hundred ministering  
priests reaches over ¥1,200,000  
annually. In Japan, as elsewhere,  
nothing is anything without money.  
With it it makes the more go; but  
in Japan, as the proverb says, it  
moves even the foundations of hell.

## MARRIED BLISS.

## TEMPER IN THE TROPICS.

## NO MORE PIGMY PASSIONS.

From one of "Cantor's" clever  
letters in the Times of Ceylon:-

My dear James, - It's getting hot  
down here. It apparently shouldn't  
at this time of the year, and every-  
body is very annoyed about it.  
And, do you know, James, the  
heat indirectly has forced me to an  
unpleasant conclusion. Ruth and I  
are not really nice people to know.  
We have been developing during  
the years of our wedded life, more  
or less unbeknownst to ourselves,  
two of the worst tempers to be found  
anywhere in either hemisphere.  
During the war, in the periods of  
home-service, we used to put it down  
to "strain." After the war, whilst  
having a holiday at home, we used  
to put it down to the cold and  
cheerless climate during the winter  
months; and to the monotony of  
having nothing to do during the sum-  
mer-time. I also used to add, a  
little piece of my own about "shock."  
On the boat, coming out, we put it  
down to the recurrent symptoms of  
mal-de-mer, which we experienced  
mutually but to no purpose. Up-  
country we put it down to isolation.  
Down here, now that it has started  
being hot, we've made a gallant  
attempt to put it down to the heat.  
But we look at each other furtively  
when we say it - and I think we both  
now realise the horrible truth.

It's no ordinary temper, James,  
which causes a woman for no other  
reason than that her husband is  
clumsy with his fingers and affords  
her excellent opportunities for in-  
juries, to go out and spend a  
fabulous amount on an evening  
frolic selected expressly because it is  
almost unobtainable for male fingers.  
Doesn't that show a beastly spirit?  
Nor is it any mere pigmy passion  
which causes a man just because  
his shirt has been sent by his wife to  
the dholby with his collar studs still in  
it, to measure the distance between  
his bedroom-window and the ground  
with a baleful eye and wonder if  
she'd bounce. And then there's that  
dressing-table mirror. I wonder  
how many bright and promising  
young love affairs have come to an  
end owing to the lack of a  
separate dressing-table and mirror.  
Have you ever stood behind  
Agatha, waiting to tie one of  
those awful bow atrocities that you  
affect, whilst she puts the final  
touches to her coiffure? If so, you  
may perhaps know what I mean -  
that desperate feeling that the bow  
is just long enough to fit round her  
neck, with a bit over for a tourniquet,  
and never mind what happens after-  
wards. I'm a bit harrowed at the  
outlook for the future, James. I don't  
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Hongkong, November 27, 1920.

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if thought fit, of the erection of a  
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of the Navy, Army, and Civilian Com-  
munity; the appointment of Patrons of  
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HONGKONG WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

Hongkong, November 25, 1920.

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to the notices which already appeared  
in the press advising the suspension of  
the time limit for motor cars by court-  
tesy of the Captain Superintendent of  
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T. W. HILL,  
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Consumption of water in the City  
and Hill District in millions and decimals  
of gallons during the month of October.

1919. 1920.  
Consumption 1,000,000 1,000,000  
Estimated population 1,000,000 1,000,000  
Consumption per head 1,000,000 1,000,000  
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1919. 1920.  
Kowloon Reservoir 12 ft. 20 ft. 7 in. Below overflow.  
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Consumption of water in Kowloon in  
millions and decimals of gallons during the  
month of October.

1919. 1920.  
Consumption 1,000,000 1,000,000  
Estimated population 1,000,000 1,000,000  
Consumption per head 1,000,000 1,000,000  
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### The China Mail.

TRADE, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1, 1920.

#### THE SHORT WAY WITH SOCIALISTS.

There is an easy way to muzzle and silence the talented extremists who act as mouthpieces for the discontented proletariat. It has proved its efficacy so often and so well that there can be no possible objection to it. Give them place and power, and they'll come to heel. Regard some of the numerous instances. William Hughes of Australia, when he began, when he was a battler, held views very different from those of the imperialistic premier upon whom London duchesses fawned during the war. Lloyd George himself, in his Limehouse days, was a long way from the mental attitude of the coalition premier. It is said that power has modified the views of Lenin and Trotsky, and if we could ascertain what their original views were, we have no doubt the statement would be amply confirmed. The great Gompers in America is also said to be nowadays disavowed by the rank and file of proletarian agitators there. Clemenceau climbed on stepping stones of Socialism to higher things. But perhaps the classic example of prosperity and success in career affecting principles is Millerand, the new French president. Alexandre Millerand was a disciple of Karl Marx, shot in the commune of 1871. His father's example and teachings made young Millerand a keen Socialist, with "extreme" views. After attending the Dezaireville strike promoters in 1883, and so identifying his name with such people and such movements, he joined the staff of Clemenceau's paper, "La Justice," and by 1897 was associated with the extremist who spilled the "crisy," causing that president to resign. He was elected a Deputy in 1895 as a Radical Socialist, and preached the "rights of man." After the Panama scandal, he became a leader of the Socialist Left, and edited their organ, "La Petite République." He began by preaching the collective ownership of the means of production (nationalization), and an international "union of labour" (socialism). But from now on began to tone down noticeably. When he be-

came a Cabinet Minister in 1899 he practically washed his hands of Socialism, and turned a cold, hostile face to his former associates, the doctrinaires. In the Waldeck-Rousseau ministry of 1899 Millerand, as Minister of Commerce, found himself sitting at the side of the aristocratic Minister of War, General le Marquis de Gallifet, who had ordered the shooting of his father. He kept his seat. The Socialists, formally expelled him from the party, just as the Australians did Hughes, but in neither case did the principal party worry. Place and power are real assets. In 1910 Millerand helped to defeat the railway strike by the simple dodge of summoning all the railway workers who were liable to join up for 21 days of military instruction. By 1912 Millerand was War Minister under Poincaré, and fighting a proletarian pacifist movement. He held the same office at the beginning of the Great War; but was forced to resign by the extremists (his former friends) on the ground that he was too autocratic, too bureaucratic, and that he handicapped Joffre in undesirable ways. He succeeded Clemenceau as President of the Council and Foreign Minister, and when the vacancy for President of France found the parties unseparated as to who should have it, he got it, chiefly because the chauvinists were in the majority, and Millerand's impeccable chauvinism was by now generally recognized. This shows that however foolishly and wickedly a politician may begin, there is always a chance for him to reform and reach the top. A step or two up helps him to reform. Let Smilge be made a Cabinet Minister.

#### AUTOMOBILE GRAFT.

A respectable reader assures us that he has repeatedly seen Indian police turn their backs to cars driven by Europeans, and wonders if they have orders to see nothing. Another reports that at seven p.m. last night a car carrying two ladies was driven along Nathan Road without a light. He looked and saw that the identification plate bore the letters H.K.P. Other readers comment on the amount of "joy riding" done in Government cars. One reports a breakdown-out Castle Peak way the other Sunday. Who pays for damages when Government cars are used for the pleasure of individuals, are damaged? Does the Government consider it desirable that criticism of this

sort should be rife? It should be understood that we originate none of it; we only repeat what is being said, being frequently and bitterly said.

Furious driving goes on, and the traffic control section of the police are not properly backed up in their efforts to check it. The Automobile Association is regarded as consisting of gentlemen who consider themselves above the law.

An expert assures us that the wheel bases of many cars here are too long for local roads. In turning they have to get on their wrong side.

A white policeman at the foot of Garden Road would get lots of cases—if such were wanted.

#### SMUGGLING WATCHES.

##### DISCLOSURES IN JAPAN.

##### SHIP'S CREW IMPLICATED.

A case of smuggling on a large scale is reported in the *Fiji*. According to its report more than 200 watches of every description have been imported illegally by a band of smugglers consisting of Japanese, Chinese, Frenchmen and the crew of a certain French steamer belonging to the Messageries Maritimes.

The case which led to the disclosure was found last month at the shop of a certain watch-dealer in Yokohama where gold watches of odd shape were on sale at half the usual price. The consequent investigation of the police enabled them to discover more than 200 smuggled watches at watch-dealers in the city.

A French seaman of the high order and about seventy Chinese, Japanese and Frenchmen were summoned to the Inspection Bureau of the Yokohama Custom Office on November 18 and put under the investigation of Inspector-General Kimura. Fourteen watches were discovered in the water off the coast of the wharf, where the smugglers have thrown them in order to conceal the trace of their crime. More than 50 prisoners are believed to have been arrested and watch-dealers in Yokohama are in a near-panic.

#### KINEMA NOTES.

##### CORONET THEATRE.

##### AN ADMIRABLE PICTURE.

Capacity houses continue at the Coronet Theatre, where the sensational picture play, "The Miracle Man," is being shown all this week. Obviously it has made a deep and favourable impression on Hongkong picture-lovers. It is rare, indeed, that a picture on such a scale and with such a powerful appeal is conceived; it is even more rare that it is successfully presented. In the case of "The Miracle Man" there can be no criticism of the workmanship of production. It is not often this can be said. The casting of characters could not be improved upon—especially in the cases of the two leading players, Thomas Meighan and Miss Betty Gimson. The latter, in particular, gives a superb presentation of the remarkable type she is called upon to portray. The setting has been carefully chosen. There are many dramatic incidents, and these are handled with a simplicity and dignity that are most commendable. Even the "miracle" scene—a subject which if presented with anything but the most extreme care would be a failure—is consistent and convincing. Altogether it is well worth while, and a picture not to be missed by anyone who is seeking the opportunity to witness a powerful production.

#### ROBBERY PLANNED.

##### SUSPECTS CAPTURED.

##### LONG POLICE VIGIL REWARDED.

Acting on information received, Detective Sub-Inspector Tim Murphy and Sergeant Kelly, accompanied by Chinese detectives, kept watch at St. Francis Yard, Wanchai, last night, for a gang of robbers who were reported to have planned to break into house No. 1 occupied by a Chinese gentleman reputed to be very wealthy, and known to have \$2,000 and a quantity of valuable jewellery in his safe.

The watchers were early on the scene and took cover in the houses next door and opposite. Nothing happened during the night, and at 7 a.m. Sergeant Kelly returned to the No. 2 Police Station for duty. About ten minutes later, when the remaining watchers, having come to the conclusion that the alarm was false, were about to depart, four men made their appearance and behaved in a suspicious manner. When accosted the men refused to submit to search, and offered resistance. A short but sharp struggle followed as a result of which the suspects were overpowered and searched. Daggers were found in their girdles, and in their pockets guns and packets of pepper.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One case of enteric fever, Chin-ese, was reported yesterday.

The *Newspaper World* states that notifications of increase of price have been made by 12 more newspapers and periodical publications. The total of such advances for the year is 591.

Very great satisfaction is felt, and is being expressed, by all classes of the Straits community at the appointment of Mr J. G. T. Pooley to the important post of Legal Adviser to the F.M.S. Government. Mr Pooley, who enjoys the reputation of being the soundest lawyer in practice at the Singapore bar, has held the leading practice there for many years.

Which is the happiest misprint? An evening paper the other day spoke of "General Sykes's Forecast" when it meant General Sykes's; but that does not challenge the supremacy of the artist who not long ago gave us the paragraph about "Mr. Horatio Bottomley." And there are points about the advertisement of "Blank's Sausages: Our Own Make."

Commenting on Mr F. C. Jenkins' refusal of the appointment of Public Prosecutor, to consider which he recently travelled from Hongkong to Singapore, the *Singapore Free Press* believes the difficulty was a question of quarters, the Government being unable to supply these, and Mr Jenkins not liking the appearance of living costs in the Southern Settlement. The Straits will soon have a very nice reputation, if this sort of thing goes on, comments a Penang paper.

The traffic for a bedspread and five other prizes conducted in aid of the Italian Convent, was drawn at the bazaar on Sunday, when the prizes were won by the following:—1st Prize: Miss Violet Tsau (Ticket No. 172); 2nd Prize: Mrs. G. Graca Osorio (Ticket No. 296); 3rd Prize: Miss Elsa Baptista (Ticket No. 250); 4th Prize: Miss K. Raymond (Ticket No. 211); 5th Prize: Mr. Mee Cheung (Ticket No. 129); and 6th Prize: Mr. W. R. Hatt (Ticket No. 37).

It has become the custom in America to make up neat packets of hops, malt, and other ingredients, with full directions printed on the wrapper for making ten gallons of beer. The restoration of home brewing is, from every other point of view except the teetotal, a consummation to be wished, as the beer thus made is far more wholesome than that sold in saloons. Its manufacture at home is illegal, but to suppress it would be approaching that legal impossibility, the indictment of a whole people. However an attempt is under way to prevent the sale of ingredients, though no final decision has yet been reached.

There is at Home a real tightness in money, and this is exemplified in the public purchasing power having more than reached its limit. For many months bankers have been most careful in scrutinising requests for overdrafts and speculators who bought large stocks of essential commodities—oil shares were a very favourite gamble—and hoped to finance them by overdrafts prior to reaping their profits, have recently found their opportunities very severely curtailed. In consequence the fall in prices has affected articles as remote as cotton and copra, tin and tea, and while one readily recognises the evil of too rapid deflation and too many failures, one can rejoice that the unfortunate consumer is at last beginning to come into his own again.

From the local office of Lloyd's Register of Shipping we have received a copy of the report of the Society's operations during the year 1919-1920. The operations of Lloyd's Register of Shipping during the twelve months ended June 30 1920, the first complete year since the cessation of War, have been of a very wide and far-reaching description. Although the conditions have been in various respects unsettled, the period under review has been one of continued endeavour in all maritime countries to make good the loss of mercantile tonnage occasioned through the War, and the magnitude of the Society's share in this world-wide effort is shown by the unprecedentedly large tonnage of new vessels classed by Lloyd's Register during the year. During the twelve months ended June 30 1920, Lloyd's Register classed over 4,250,000 tons of shipping (following on a total of 3,800,000 tons classed in the previous twelve months); moreover, there was at the end of June last 4,930,340 tons of merchant shipping being constructed under the survey of the Society's Surveyors with a view to classification.

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#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The death is reported on the afternoon of Nov. 15 at his Kamakura residence of the Rev. Mr. Ballagh, a very old resident in Japan.

As the result of stock-taking since the burglary in their store on Saturday night Messrs. Falconer and Co., now estimate their loss at \$46,000.

Mr. J. C. Nardini, Vice-Consul of the American Consulate-General in Canton, in charge of the passport division, left Canton yesterday for home in Los Angeles, California.

The engagement is announced of Miss Marjorie Dennison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dennison, of Hongkong, to Mr. H. C. B. Way, of the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd.

The "Eastern Cloud" which was stranded off Hommoku, Yokohama, was refloated on the afternoon of Nov. 18 at high tide. No damage was done to her bottom, and she made the port of Yokohama soon afterwards.

The Canton vernacular press says that Commander Liu Chai Luk of the Kwangai troops is now hiding in Hongkong. Commander Liu was defeated at Swatow when the port fell into the hands of the Cantonese army.

There is a dispute going on in Japan about the shortening of the policeman's sword. It would be better to abolish altogether an appendage the use of which only gets the owner into trouble and the appearance of which only makes the force look ridiculous.

A tremendous crowd gathered at the Bridge on High Street, Kuala Lumpur about noon. Several knials nearly fell into the river through sheer excitement. People stopped their rickshaws and motor cars and joined the crowd. Traffic could only thread its way across the bridge with extreme care. A chicken had jumped into the river and was trying to swim to shore.

Enterprise is the order of the day and it is not surprising to learn that a syndicate is being formed in Penang to import a fleet of specially strengthened "tanks" through the Disposal Branch of the Ministry of Munitions for service in Province Wellesley, where, at the present rate of progress backward, the roads will soon be fit to carry no other sort of wheeled transport, declares the *Straits Echo*.

The King of Siam is to visit Japan next autumn, according to information received by the Japanese Imperial Household Department, which has replied to Siam that the visit would be heartily welcomed by the Imperial House of Japan. The King was forced to postpone his visit this year because of the death of a member of the royal family of Siam. It is also announced that a communication concerning the proposed visit of the Prince of Wales in the spring of 1922 has been received by the Imperial Household Department.

We have ourselves deprecated the needless alarm often created in California about the presence of a few Japanese, says the *Japan Chronicle*. It is a very human feeling nevertheless, and a comparatively small proportion are able to upset the labour market. We see to-day that it is reported in Japan that while Japanese sailors gain a difficulty in getting ships they are naturally unwilling to take lower wages and are very much alarmed at the bare suggestion that Chinese sailors may be engaged. The difference in the point of view is striking.

"I enclose herewith," writes a correspondent, "a cutting from the *Referee*, and would be obliged if you could tell me anything regarding this 'union'." The enclosed cutting is an advertisement and reads as follows: "Rubber—Increase your income with perfect safety. Write: The Rubber Planters Union, Temple Chambers, Temple Avenue, E.C.4." We do not know anything about "The Rubber Planters Union," says the *Straits Times* but we should judge from the advertisement that prudent folk will refrain from helping it to increase its income. Rubber isn't a thing for the uninitiated to dabble in just now.

The *Japan Chronicle* understands that Mr. G. L. Shaw has returned to Antung, having obtained a warrant in writing for doing so. This will prevent any repetition of the procedure which was adopted in the case of Mr. Hargreaves, who, after being given permission to proceed to England, was declared in his absence to have "retreated his bail" and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment. Proceedings are to be instituted against the *Straits Press* in regard to the libels which it published against Mr. Shaw while he was under arrest; and it is hoped that these will have a salutary effect in leading to a reform of the practice so common in the Japanese Press of assuming the guilt of every man who has the misfortune to find himself under arrest.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

##### CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM WANTED.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Dear Sir,—I have read as doubtless many hundreds have also, the articles and correspondence, both in your paper and the *Daily Press*, on the budget statement and the debate in the Legislative Council of the Colony. The Budget statement is a striking example of Crown Colony form of Government. This particular form of Government is of course only used in New Colonies i.e. where the Colony has not emerged from the swaddling clothes of infancy into those of the full grown man.

When manhood and womanhood is reached, we all throw off the trammels of childhood, and stand before the world, as responsible individuals responsible for our actions, socially, politically and financially. Until that period is reached we are not responsible, and we are given parents, schoolmasters, governors and all sorts of such people to look after us. This being so, it stands to reason that these parents, schoolmasters, governors and all sorts of things, must do their very best for us, and not single out any special treatment.

This applies to Crown Colony Government, which can only be treated during infancy, and then only if it plays the game all round. The question therefore arises—Is the Government playing the game? Take the Housing question, which is closely coupled with the resumption of Military lands.

His Excellency the Governor states that he is not convinced that a serious House shortage really exists, except in Government House apparently, where we are to pay \$100,000 for Bangalore.

I am sure we all deeply regret the shortage at Government House, it really looks large enough from the outside, but as loyal subjects, we are all only too pleased to see the representatives of the King properly accommodated and to pay for it also. I wish His Excellency would look into the charges for rooms at the Hotels and Boarding Houses in the Colony and ask himself whether the ordinary man can really afford to pay the extortionate rates demanded.

If there is no shortage of houses, why for instance, can't I get a house and why do so many men with their wives and families have to live in Boarding Houses?

I would venture to say that if in securing men in England for positions in the Colony the average rental of Houses was mentioned there would be few if any who would take positions here.

As I heard a man saying the other day, "It seems to me we are out here only working for Landlords, Hotels and Boarding House Keepers. And there is a bitter truth in this remark."

Again take the Bathing Beaches. If it is true that 69,000 people made use of these during the past almost intolerable summer in Hongkong surely the health of these people must be of more importance than any petty little Commercial business that can be carried on in these very restricted places.

It is no argument to say that they have only been used a very few years for this purpose. It is Crown Colony argument, that is all, to say that wharfrage is necessary. Wharfrage may be necessary, but the health of a stifling hot place like Hongkong, is a greater necessity, and I earnestly wish, that these places will be left to the people.

I understand that many Soldiers and Sailors use these Beaches. There was a time when we would do any thing for these gallant men, who died that the Peak of Hongkong might still exist under the British Flag. The debt we owe them can never be paid, and if the retention of these places as swimming resorts within easy reach of them, gives pleasure to men who have gone through the stress and strain of war, whilst so many of us stayed in Hongkong, or elsewhere in comfort, surely it is the least we can do for them.

I am disappointed with the Senior Unofficial Member. His touching speech about the quietude of the Peak and the safety of the children there leaves me cold.

Had he shown any fear for the safety of the children on the Garden Road or the Cause Road I would perhaps have listened to his appeal for the Peak. I could not help thinking, when I read his speech, how seriously Crown Colony Government fails, when men of his description, represent the people outside the governing circle.

#### BIG EMBEZZLEMENT.

##### MANAGER ABSCONDS.

##### LOCAL FIRMS' HEAVY LOSSES.

Sums of \$19,500 and \$80,000 are alleged to have been embezzled from Messrs. Wilkinson, Heyward and Clark and from Messrs. John Laing and Co., respectively, by Leung Tien-kwai, comprador of the former firm and manager of the latter. Messrs. Wilkinson, Heyward and Clark hold Leung's security in the form of title deeds valued at \$12,000 advanced by his guarantors, but Messrs. John Laing and Co. are said to be less fortunate and will suffer a dead loss of \$80,000.

For the last six years Leung has been manager of Messrs. John Laing and Co. importers and exporters, and for nearly ten years comprador of Messrs. Wilkinson, Heyward and Clark, varnish, paint and colour manufacturers. On November 13 he did not come to work but the firms felt no uneasiness in view of his exemplary behaviour and unblemished record. A few days later suspicion was aroused when attempts by Messrs. John Laing and Co., to get in touch with Leung at his residence, No. 28A Stanley Street, met with the answer that he had been absent from his home since the 13th. The books were then audited and the frauds discovered. For some months past Leung had, it appears, drawn money from the Chartered and Mercantile Banks on drafts paid into the company by clients. He also converted to his own use money collected by him in behalf of the firm. Following this discovery, Messrs. Wilkinson, Heyward and Clark, who had deferred inquiries owing to the absence on leave of the Chief Manager, Mr. F. C. Banham, with the result that Leung practically had sole control of the business, had their books audited.

#### JAPANESE SHIPPING.

##### N.Y.K. PROFITS CUT.

##### EFFECT OF ADVERSE MARKET.

The general depression of the financial situation, political unrest in China and the decline in the value of silver combined to have an adverse effect on the business conditions of the Nisshin Kisen Kaisha (Sino-Japanese Steamship Company) for the last business term—the cargo carried during the period showing a decrease of 25 per cent. compared with the preceding term. At a general meeting of the company's shareholders held on November 16, Baron Kondo, who is president of the company as well as of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, reviewed the shipping situation as follows: "During the term under review we have suffered from the full effects of the reaction from the wartime boom. The financial depression is not confined to Japan's—for things are worse in China, as the political strife between the North and South, the drop in the value of silver and other unfavourable factors have combined to depress trade. The principal object of this company is to carry goods between China and Japan, and the depression in China has acutely affected us."

"The cargo carried during the term amounted to 150,000 tons, valued at 1,200,000 Mexican dollars. Compared with the last term, this shows a decrease of 50,000 tons and of \$500,000. Such being the case we can only pay a dividend of 10 per cent."

"As to the future outlook, the general financial situation of the world admits of no optimism, and I fear that if better results than those for the present term are expected, disappointment may be the result."

The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha is subsidised by the Japanese Government. This year it has received a new subsidy of ¥150,000 a year, and has opened a new service between Shanghai and Canton, beginning on October 1. For this service, two new ships of 3,500 tons deadweight each are to be used, and they have been ordered from the Uraga Dockyard. One, named the "Rozan Maru," is to be completed early next month, and the other will be ready for service in February or March. Until these ships are available, the company is using the "Puyo Maru," which has already completed the first voyage on the new subsidised run, and has just started on another voyage.

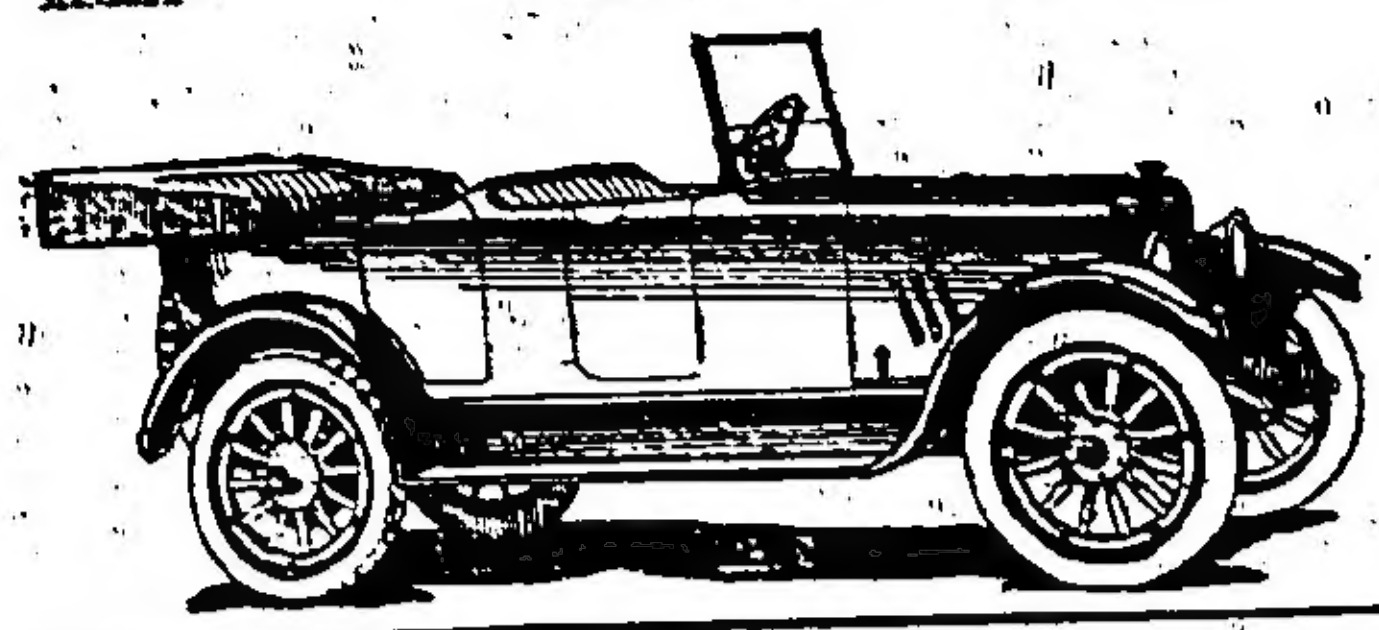
Women, who could pass a certain educational test.

I am convinced that the great urgent need of this place is an Assembly wherein men can meet and discuss and where their statements are privileged, and where it can be shown, where the axes in the body politic are.

The present archaic method of electing the unofficial members does not give us the really representative men we require, and I earnestly hope as a Loyal British subject that full consideration will be given to the franchise question in this Colony. Why not send a petition to every member of the Imperial Parliament in England for this? Enclosing my card.—Sir, Yours faithfully, J. J. J.



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**ST. ANDREW'S DAY.**  
HONGKONG CELEBRATION.  
ANNIVERSARY BALL.  
A BRILLIANT FUNCTION.

Merely to say that the St. Andrew's Ball last night at the City Hall was a big success is entirely inadequate. It was a brilliant function, carried out on a huge scale. It was the sort of thing that will live long in the memories of the many who were fortunate enough to be present. It was the opening of the winter season of festivities. It was a glittering spectacle—a pageant of colour and beauty. It was the forging of another link in the close affection between the men of Scotland and the remainder of the Empire. Finally, it was an instance of generous hospitality—such a depth of hospitality as sometimes seems rare in this workaday world.

They were all there—the Scotsmen and their friends, to observe in the traditionally proper manner the one day of the year when the thoughts of the sons of Old Scotia, wherever they may be, go back to the native highlands and moorlands. All over the world, the men of Scotland gathered in celebration of the day. It was a thought that came frequently to the observer at last night's function, that the world around Scotsmen were assembled on similar occasions, tightening the bonds of friendship, strengthening the ties of patriotism. It gave the spectacle a pleasing significance.

And what a setting had been provided for it all. The City Hall Building, bare enough and plain enough, by daylight, had been transformed. Outside, above the very centre door, was a Cross of St. Andrew in blue and white electric lights that filled the broad approach and the street beyond with radiance. Beneath this was the entrance for His Excellency the Governor and his party: to right and left were the doors for the guests, passing through the separate cloak-rooms. All three gave into the downstairs hall, hung with stag's heads and crossed broadswords, with the glow of a fire at the side—all of which, enhanced by the subdued lighting, reflecting from the dull brown panelling, gave it the effect of an old Scottish baronial hall. Here, too, there were stands of pipes and arms, and paintings breathing the spirit of old Scotland. Opposite the centre entrance, at the foot of the staircase was an illuminated coat of arms of the Chief—the Flying Spur—with the motto *Namquam non Parvum* underneath. Downstairs also were card rooms and lounge rooms for the guests, and not the least of the attractions—the Auchtermuchty, well patronized by the gentlemen throughout the evening.

To the left was a passage lined with ferns and draped with flags, leading to the theatre where the supper was to be served. The theatre was decorated with a profusion of flowers, plants, and flags. The stage, where tables were placed for H. E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, and other guests of the Chief, was a wonderland of flowers and greenery. It looked as if the theatre had been made over for the occasion. The chairs had been removed, both downstairs and in the balcony, and tables—glittering with white linen and silverware, and decorated with flowers—were everywhere.

So much for downstairs. The way to the ball room led up a paneled and carpeted staircase, lined with palms and ferns, conspicuous among which was a large armorial shield, emblazoned with a lion rampant. Everywhere were flashes of colour—Union Jacks, ensigns, and standards glimpsed in nooks among the banks of green that furnished the background. So with the passages that led from the top of the stairs to the ball rooms—these too were rich with green growing plants and brilliant with electric lights.

It was when one entered the ball rooms, however, that one received the full benefit of the art that had been employed in the decorative scheme. Here was the climax of colour. Walls and ceiling alike were ablaze with it; only the glittering floor remained untouched. In St. George's hall the ceiling was black, white, and orange; the walls in wide vertical lines of black and white; the lights were converted into inverted lamps, with shades of many colours. The colour scheme here, as in the other ball room, was of the modern school—daring, but effective. At one side was a raised dais for the

Governor and his party. Above it was a canopy in orange and black, surmounted by a crown in black on an orange background. Around the room was an orange frieze.

In St. Andrew's Hall, the ceiling was in white and green; the inverted lights were set off with white and orange shades; and the walls were done in black and white draperies, reaching to the floor, and topped with a broad green frieze bearing white thistles.

In the half-lighted corridors around the outside of St. George's hall, chairs were placed. Close by was a lounge; next to it a refreshment room. All were made pleasing with hangings and with plants; it seemed that ground floor to roof there was not a spot in all the big building which had not received the touches of the decorators.

There were probably 1,300 guests present at the ball. They filled the ball rooms, overflowed into the lounges, the refreshment room, the corridors, the staircase, the hall downstairs—everywhere were laughing couples. The ladies were beautifully gowned; and among the gentlemen were many in bright uniform—some, indeed, in kilts. From top to bottom the building was a-buzz with conversation, the soft sound of gliding footsteps, the strains of orchestra or the skirl of bagpipes, and the ripple of laughter. So it lasted until well towards daybreak, when the last of the guests departed and the ball rooms subsided into silence.

His Excellency the Governor and party arrived shortly after nine o'clock attended by the Private Secretary and the A. D. C., to be met at the door by the Hon. Mr. John Johnstone, President, Mr. A. O. Lang, Vice President, and the members of the Committee. The arrival of the Governor was heralded by the honorary pipers: Messrs. R. G. McEwen, N. Drummond, Adam Gray, J. B. Ross, and T. Taylor—all in Highland costume. Led by the pipers, the party proceeded to St. George's Hall, and the Governor and those with him took up their places on the dais. The orchestra then played the National Anthem.

The dance programme consisted of twenty-four dances, chiefly fox trots, waltzes, and one-steps, interspersed with Scottish dances. It follows:

Extra Waltz—“Girl of My Heart.”  
1—Lancers  
2—Reminiscences of Scotland.  
3—Caledonians  
4—One Step—“Have a Smile.”  
5—Eightsome Reel  
6—Waltz—“The Devil among the Tailors.”  
7—Fox Trot—“Till we meet again.”  
8—Strathspey—“Marquis of Huntly.”  
9—Reel—“Mrs. MacLeod of Rassy.”  
10—One Step—“Ould Ootie Marie.”  
11—Waltz—“Beautiful Ohio.”  
12—Fox Trot—“Desertana.”  
13—One Step  
14—Waltz—“Umbrellas to Mend.”  
15—Caledonians  
16—One Step—“Johnny's in Town.”  
17—Fox Trot—“In your arms.”  
18—Eightsome Reel  
19—One Step—“The Devil among the Tailors.”  
20—One Step—“Floatin' down to Cotton Town.”  
21—Waltz—“Missouri.”  
22—Fox Trot—“Bole-Bo.”  
23—One Step—“Good-night Nurse.”  
24—Fox Trot—“Venetian Moon.”  
Extra Fox Trot—“Patches.”

The extra waltz was by way of a preliminary dance. When it was concluded, the ball was formally opened with an official set of lancers, in which the following took part: The Hon. Mr. John Johnstone and Lady Stubbs; Admiral Sir A. L. Duff and Mrs. Johnstone; Major-General Ventriss and Mrs. Lang; Commodore Bowden-Smith and Mrs. Stabb; Mr. T. F. Hough and Mrs. Gompertz; Col. J. R. Young and Mrs. Bell-Irving; Mr. Justice Gompertz and Miss Duff.

Of special interest were the old national dances—the Caledonians, the Strathspey, and Reel, and the Eightsome Reel. These were danced with great enthusiasm, shared alike by participants and spectators. It was, in fact, the sort of picture to thrill the onlooker—the beautiful setting, the spirited skirl of the bagpipes, the ladies in charming gowns, the gentlemen in uniform and tartan kilts, going through the animated measures of the favourite old dances.

After the eighth dance, there was a formal procession of the Governor and his party to the supper room. The pipers took up their position on the ballroom floor in front of the Governor's dais. At the signal, they started up a lively air, and set on the march. Then came Lady Stubbs,

escorted by the Hon. Mr. John Johnstone; next the Governor, escorted by Mrs. Johnstone; and after them the members of the Governor's party. They entered the theatre, took their places at the tables set apart for them on the stage, and the feast began. At the table of honour were H. E. the Governor and Mrs. Johnstone; Lady Stubbs and the Hon. Mr. John Johnstone; Admiral Sir Alexander Duff and Mrs. Lang; Mr. A. O. Lang and Mrs. Bowden-Smith; General Ventriss and Mrs. Gompertz; Commodore Bowden-Smith and Mrs. Stabb; His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz and Mrs. Bell-Irving; Mr. T. F. Hough and Miss Duff; Mr. N. J. Stabb and Mrs. Crockett; Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher and Mrs. Greig; The Bishop and Mrs. Chatham; Mr. G. M. Young and Mrs. Black; Hon. Mr. Chatham and Mrs. Young; Dr. Black and Mrs. James; Colonel Young R.E. and Mrs. Edkins; Mr. N. S. Marshall and Mrs. Wyndham; Mr. G. M. Shaw and Mrs. Loring; Mr. E. Greig and Mrs. Parr; Captain James, R.N. and Mrs. Leele; Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock and Mrs. Sutherland; Mr. R. Sutherland and Mrs. Forsyth.

At the proper time there was a skirl of bagpipes, announcing the coming of the haggis. The time-honoured ceremony was performed with due state. The haggis was borne in procession to the Chief's table on the stage by Mr. F. Sutor, with Mr. Ross bearing the quail. The latter was served to each gentleman at the table and each, in accordance with the old custom, drank down his portion, kissing the bottom of the quail at the end to show that he had done his duty and shown his full appreciation.

The menu card itself was a pleasing souvenir of the occasion. On the cover was a Highland cavalier with a charge with “Scotland Forever” underneath. The menu was preceded by the verse: “Some hae meat and canna eat, And some wad eat that want it; But we hae meat and we can eat, And sae the Lord be thankit!” After it this generous bill of fare:

1. Consomme en Tasse.
2. Scotch Broth.
3. Lobster Salad.
4. Soused Fish.
5. Roast Turkey.
6. Roast Pheasant.
7. Roast Capon.
8. Roast Beef.
9. Saddle of Mutton.
10. Spiced Beef.
11. York Ham.
12. Corned Oxtongue.
13. Galantine of Veal.
14. Haggis.
15. Chicken Salad.
16. Assorted Fresh Salad.
17. Fruit Jelly.
18. Topsy Cake.
19. Compote of Fruits and Custard.
20. Blanc Manger.
21. Strawberry Ice Cream.
22. Vanilla Ice Cream.
23. Scotch Shortbread.
24. Coffee.

And on the back cover: “Breathes there the man with soul so dead Who never to himself hath said, ‘This is my own, my native land,’ Whose heart hath beat no other than his own?”

During the supper the President gave the toast of “H.M. The King,” and “The Pious Memory of St. Andrew,” and later a speech. He said: “Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen, I am a Borderer, product of a hard riding, hard drinking, hard swearing, godless race, whose main occupation in life round about the days of King Robert the Bruce appears to have been lifting other people's cattle. ‘Lifting’ is the Scottish equivalent of ‘stealing’ and you will probably agree that it is a much nicer and more gentlemanly term, but the fact remains—it's stealing. However, preference was given to lifting cattle belonging to the English. This is brought forward to mitigate the odium attaching to the word ‘lifting.’ Presumably your late President overlooked the horrible deeds of my ancestors when submitting my name to the members of this Society as a suitable chief for to-night, or perhaps, his own forebears were no better than mine, and you know the old saw that ‘Fellow feeling makes us wondrous kind.’—(Laughter.) Were we to enquire into the past history of Mr. George Young's forefathers, we might even find that they were worse than mine, and lifted ladies as well as cattle. This may account for Mr. Young's diffidence in their presence now—a days. I mean the presence of ladies, not cattle.—(Renewed laughter.) Be that as it may, the fact remains that the members of this Society have paid me the greatest compliment it is possible to pay a Scotsman, and I presume, decided to overlook previous history on the advice of our National Bard ‘Robbie Burns,’ that ‘a man's a man for a’ that.’ The fact that I am your ‘Chief’ to-night enables me to redeem, to a certain extent, my family's reputation for ‘hospitality’ or, I should say, the want of it, and for the benefit of those present who may not know the story I will relate same now. A traveller arrived late one weary one evening at the Border town of Lockerbie and, after making many fruitless efforts to obtain

ing for the night he knocked at the door of a house which was opened to him by an old lady, who, after bearing what he had to say, turned him away, as so many others had already done. In desperation he exclaimed: ‘Are there no Christians in this place?’ to which she replied: ‘No, no, we're a’ Johnstones and Jardines hereabouts’ and slammed the door in his face! As I have already said that opportunity enables me to redeem my family's reputation to a certain extent, and I gladly avail myself of it. This is the night of nights to Scotsmen overseas, when we endeavor by the distribution of much whiskey and good cheer so to endear ourselves to English and other nationals that they overlook the fact that we occupy all the No. 1 and best paid positions! I trust that our efforts in this direction to-night will be no less successful than those of my predecessors. To all my fellow countrymen who have so ably helped to make this show the success it undoubtedly is, I extend my very hearty thanks. Those in charge of Auchtermuchty I will deal with tomorrow about noon, possibly the day after—when they have quite recovered from their labours. To the pipers I say, without fear of contradiction, that on no previous occasion of this nature in Hongkong have we been so well served. In conclusion I would say, ladies and gentlemen, that the name day of our Patron Saint is made the occasion of bringing all Scotsmen together in thought if not in person, and in proof of this I have now to read you the telegrams sent to and received from St. Andrew's Societies throughout the East.

The telegrams included the following:

From Kuala Lumpur.—“Heartiest greetings from Brother Scots—WATSON, Secretary, reply.”  
From Fochow.—“For Chief Johnstone, Brother Scots at Fochow reciprocate Chief Johnstone's greetings.”  
From Weihaiwei.—“For Hill, Secretary, St. Andrew's. Greetings heartily reciprocated by Scots of Weihaiwei, may the Scots of Hongkong always ride to victory as is the wont of their sporting Chief Johnstone—LOCKHART.”  
From Nagasaki.—“Heartily reciprocate greetings—TYLER.”  
From Shanghai.—“Shanghai Brother Scots heartily reciprocate greetings—MACGILL.”  
From Tientsin.—“Heartily reciprocate.”

From Shamsen, Canton.—“Greetings from Canton Scots.”  
From Bangkok.—“Hearty greetings from Brother Scots.”  
From Ipoh.—“Perak Scots wish ye a braw night.”  
From Batavia.—“Brother Scots send greetings—MACCOLL.”  
From Amoy.—“Hearty greetings from Scots in Amoy—WILSON.”

From Taipei.—“Cordially reciprocate greetings—TAIPEH SCOTS.”  
From Manila.—“Chief Mitchell and Brother Scots send heartiest greetings from Manila—GORDON, Secretary.”  
From Singapore.—“Singapore Brother Scots send heartiest greetings—SIAH, Chairman.”  
From Penang.—“Heartiest greetings from Chief Murray and Brother Scots.”  
From Osaka.—“Chief Struthers and Brother Scots send heartiest greetings—REID, Secretary.”  
From Tsingtau.—“Chief Constable Eckford reciprocates greetings. Buchanan, Jomies Walker, Haig and Haig only Scotch here.”

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A card also was received from the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.

Messages were sent by the Hongkong Scots to Singapore, Penang, Kuala Lumpur, Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Bangkok, Fochow, Taipei, Shanghai, Weihaiwei, Tientsin, Hankow, Canton, Ipoh, Batavia, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Tsingtau and Amoy. For the great success of the ball, credit naturally goes to the officials and members of the Committees that had it in charge. They were:

General Committee.—Hon. Mr. John Johnstone (President), Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang (Vice-President), Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G. (Past President), Mr. R. M. Dyer (Past President), Mr. Robert Sheehan (Past President), Mr. T. F. Hough (Past President), Mr. G. M. Young (Past President), Mr. K. E. Greig, Dr. G. S. R. Black, Mr. J. L. Crockett, Mr. G. M. Shaw, Mr. N. S. Marshall, Mr. A. M. Duncan Wallace (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. T. W. Hill (Hon. Secretary).

Invitation Committee.—General Committee along with—Messrs. F. Maitland, T. Neave, D. Templeton, Evan Ormiston, G. McCormack, R. G. McEwen, J. Ormiston, John Rodgers, T. Petrie, W. N. Fleming, N. C. Wilson, T. W. Hill (Hon. Secretary) Convener.

Dancing and Music Committee.—Messrs. N. S. Marshall (Convener), T. Arthur, Robert Bruce, A. C. Leith, W. J. Morrison, A. Murdoch, A. Stevenson, F. Soutar, R. Sutherland, J. B. Ross, W. Seath, D. G. Nicoll, J. D. Kinnaird, J. H. Gordon, David Lyfe, J. Bell Irving, A. G. Simpson, T. W. Hill (Hon. Secretary).

Card Room Committee.—Messrs. F. Maitland (Convener), T. Petrie, A. R. Sutherland, A. H. Lay, D. Gov.

Ladies' Cloak Room Committee.—Dr. J. A. R. Black (Convener), Dr. S. S. Strahan.

Supper and Wines Committee.—Messrs. D. K. Blair (Convener), T. Arthur, A. R. Austin, R. Hunter, H. Matheson, T. Oliphant, J. W. Paton, A. Stevenson, J. S. Waldron, L. M. Whyte, A. H. Ferguson, T. R. Chasels, R. E. Macdonald, K. S. Morrison, Capt. Campbell, R. Hall, E. L. Hosie, G. B. Dunnett, J. McCablin, R. J. Patterson.

Decorations Committee.—Messrs. D. Gov (Convener), F. Graham, T. Ramsay, J. Simpson, A. S. MacKichan, F. M. Crawford, D. Leith. For the decorations, which made such a favourable impression and added so much to the occasion, Mr. Gov, the Convener of the Decorations Committee, and those associated with him, received congratulations. Mr. J. Simpson, Mr. MacKichan, and Mr. D. Steele transformed the downstairs portion of the building. The credit

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## JAPAN AT TABLE.

## FLESH-POTS OF THE WEST.

## APPETITE VERSUS PREJUDICE.

According to the Tokyo correspondent of the *Morning Post*, the Japanese are people always hungry; and as they seldom eat at home if they can eat out, the restaurants are usually full at meal-times. Tokyo and all the large cities are amply accommodated by innumerable restaurants, capable of pleasing every palate and pocket. There are at least 20,000 of these in the Metropolitan area alone, hardly any two of which are quite alike.

A favourite dish of the new eating-houses is called *gyudon*, which consists of thin slices of beef, fried by the guest himself, in his private room, and done to his own taste. The process of broiling this steaks of surloin on one's own *hibachi*, or brazier, excites an appetite far more ravishing than a cocktail would. The beef is not done in fat, but in *shoyu*, a delicately flavoured native sauce; and the dish is quite delicious. With it one eats rice and various kinds of vegetables to order.

The Japanese have no special words such as beef or bacon or mutton; they just call them cow meat, pig meat, and sheep meat, though the latter is seldom seen, as Japan has no sheep, except in the Zoo.

It is most remarkable that in a country where, under the influence of Buddhism, the people had been induced to refrain from eating meat for so many centuries, they should now suddenly become great meat eaters.

When the meat habit first became contagious great prejudice was aroused. Even to take the milk of the cow was deemed eccentric.

At first beefsteak was called *suikushi*, or "spade fry," because, such as it was, the killing and eating of cows aroused, that those who could not resist the temptation had to take their steaks into the hills and fry them in secret on a spade over some coals.

Sixty or seventy years ago in Japan only the *clerics*, or parish class, would be guilty of so grave an indiscretion as the eating of a dead animal. And yet I have heard of a man being prosecuted before the Courts for eating his neighbour's dog. Thus even so dignified and the tradition-revering a race as the Japanese, when they change, do so extremely.

Perhaps the most alluring of all Japanese dishes is *unagimeshi*, comprising eels and rice, but now rather expensive for the ordinary guest.

The eel is only some six inches long, never old enough to be rank, and when broiled with *shoyu* and eaten with boiled rice makes a repast fit for kings. One inconvenience is that one can never indulge in *unagimeshi* when in a hurry, for the waiting is considerable, as the eels are alive when the order is given, slain eels when the order is to wait long, and being unable to see how long one cannot be sure how long they have waited unless one has seen them alive. The *tempura* shops, where a kind of fish dish is served, allow one to see the whole process of cooking as one passes along the street, and many a straggler loiters to enjoy the odour when he cannot afford the meal. One Tokyo house put on the *menu* at the door, so much for *tempura* and so much for "smell," only meaning that those who stood around to obtain whiffs of the cooking *tempura* would have to pay for it!

Of course, the restaurants alluded to are not much patronised by the poorer classes, who have to subsist on much cheaper and lighter fare, but ever diminishing quantity, but there are eating-houses for all purses, and the food is always tasty, if scanty.

Many a poor man makes a whole meal on a sweet potato. In all foods, the Japanese use much seaweed, which is much more nourishing than many western relishes. In this utilising the wealth of marine vegetation they teach us a lesson we might well learn.

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## ALL-RED CABLE ROUTE.

## ATLANTIC LINK.

## GOVERNMENT'S LATEST PURCHASE.

It is announced, says a home paper to hand by the last mail, by the directors of the Direct United States Cable Co., that an offer has been received from the British Government for the purchase of the company's property.

The exact terms are not stated in the official circular, but it is estimated that, after discharging the company's liabilities, there would be sufficient to permit of a payment of \$5 per share to the shareholders.

The issued capital of the company is 121,420 \$10 shares, and 56 per share is equal to \$728,520. At the same time, however, the company owns investments of a value of \$368,359, and it is not clear whether the latter is included in the estimate of \$5 per share.

In April, 1911, the company leased its cable to the Western Union Telegraph Co., but on September 22, 1917, the cable was interrupted. The interruption continued for more than 18 months, and on those grounds the Western Union gave notice to cancel the lease.

The matter was taken to Court, and the decision was against the Direct Cable Co. An appeal was entered, but was stayed by mutual consent, with a view to some arrangement being come to.

Negotiations to this end, however, proved unsuccessful, but this has given the Government its opportunity. The Government owns the Pacific cable running from Canada to New Zealand and Australia, and before the war it was persistently urged by the Dominions that it should possess an Atlantic cable, so that it might own an "All Red" cable route.

In a Blue Book issued in January, 1914, it was estimated that the cost of an Atlantic cable would be \$1,100,000, and that the money would be borrowed at three per cent. Times, however, have changed, and the cost of a new cable would be much higher, and the money could not be raised at three per cent. The Direct Company's cable is an old one, but its acquisition will provide a missing link in an "All Red" cable route.

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## TRAVEL IN THE ORIENT.

## LURE OF THE EAST.

## INVALUABLE GUIDE TO THE TRAVELLER.

The Far East during recent months has attracted the activities and interest of statesmen, financiers, merchants, commercial organizations and religious associations, and tourists have been drawn hither in ever increasing numbers by the combination of nature and art, no where else so striking as in Japan and China, says the latest *Far Eastern Traveller's Gazette*, a copy of which we have received from Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, the publishers. Many changes are rapidly taking place in Oriental lands, and the traveller is enjoined to visit the Far East before the effect of present day progress has completely effaced the many quaint customs of the picturesque inhabitants. Japan is richly endowed with charming natural scenery, characteristically quaint and fascinating. The charm of a visit to Japan is that it transports one out of the present century, into an era forgotten, into a vanished age—back to something as ancient as Egypt or Nineveh. That is the secret of the strangeness and beauty of things, the secret of the eldritch charm of the people and their ways.

Japan has for many years attracted the attention of travellers from all parts of the world and as an ideal field for the tourist, holds a unique position; its people are agreeable and hospitable to strangers, and a visit, under favourable auspices, is a pleasant and profitable experience. The same is largely true of China, or at least the sections of that strange land accessible to travellers. To people of culture they present many phases of the greatest interest and inducement: for seeking a more intimate personal acquaintance.

The quaint and charming "Land of the Rising Sun" has many attractions, and many sights and scenes of fascinating interest for the visitor. Its wonderful temples, rich in colour and gliding and carving; its ancient shrines, its colossal images, its forests and groves of magnificent trees, its abundance of glowing blossoms, its superb scenery, are some of them.

But perhaps one of the delights of a visit to Japan that appeals to the greatest number of tourists is the Japanese garden. The Japanese are pastmasters in that art of landscape gardening, as in every branch of that beautiful and fascinating occupation. They seem to have inherited a skill, a knowledge and a proficiency in dealing with flowers and plants from many generations of nature-loving forefathers that may well be the despair of western horticulturists. Whether the garden space be large or small, a wonderful artistic taste leads unerringly to its most successful treatment, and usually a miniature landscape of singular beauty is evolved, filled with all sorts of vegetable miracles. Dwarf trees, a hundred years old, a few inches high, trees single flowers, cherry and plum trees that have no fruit, but an extraordinary profusion of beautiful blossoms, are some of the features often seen.

The *Gazette*, which is profusely illustrated, is a useful as usual with information invaluable to the traveller. In addition to detailed information regarding routes, fares, etc., there are interesting and informative articles on *Waza*, the ancient capital of Japan, the Winter Palace at Peking, Intramuros, the original Spanish Manila, and Shanghai.

## QUICK-WITTED CRIMINALS.

## CRAFTY ROGUES.

## HOW A MAGISTRATE LOST HIS WATCH.

Criminals are not the sweet, innocent, turtle doves they were when you believe they are when standing in the dock awaiting sentence.

They are clever to a degree, as crafty as the proverbial cat of old monkeys, and infinite in resource.

Especially is this the case in the hundred of different crimes in which the tongue plays a part. The confidence trickster who is so anxious to let you share a windfall, the fraudulent cheque artist whose "people" keep the Bank of England going, the swindler whose sole desire is to make you rich for nothing, the woman jewel thief who wants a pearl necklace to wear at my lord's luncheon party, all tell their own tale wonderfully well. Their business is to deceive.

The minor thief who goes about picking up bits here and there, and walks nearer the precipice than he knows of, also shows an alertness of mind that is sometimes as astonishing and amusing.

Think of the audacity of the man who stole a clock from a police station in the presence of a sergeant. The thief, raised to ladder into the station, reared it against the wall, and removed the clock. Nothing easier.

A man was charged at Bow Street with picking pockets, and Sir James Vaughan who was then chief magistrate, regaled the court with his own experience.

"Every morning, when I arrive in court," he said, "I take out my watch and compare it with the court clock. This morning I wanted to look at my watch and found that it had gone. My first impression was that

it had been stolen, but half a minute later I recollected that I had left it on my dressing-room table."

All in court, including clever detectives smiled at the anecdote.

"Well, my dear, I suppose you got your watch?" said Lady Vaughan when her husband reached home in the evening.

"My watch?" asked Sir James.

"No, I left it at home."

"But the court usher came and asked me for it, and I gave it to him," explained Lady Vaughan.

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## GENERAL WRANGEL.

## THE LOST LEADER'S CAREER.

## A correspondent of the Times last month, when Wrangel's star was in the ascendant, sent a very flattering notice of him to the London Journal, wherein he described Wrangel as "by far the most competent leader that the White Guards of Russia have ever had. Only between him and Kolchak may a parallel be drawn, and even so, to the advantage of Wrangel. He is both a greater soldier and a greater administrator than Kolchak, and is the happy possessor of a temperament which inspires the love and respect as well as the fear of those who serve under him."

Continuing the correspondent says: "He has more than any of his ill-fated predecessors, succeeded in convincing the Russian people that he is a democrat and has their interests at heart. The other White leaders were unfortunate in the choice of their subordinates, whose undue severity towards the peasants destroyed any confidence in the genuineness of their democracy. When Wrangel took over the command of the remnants of Denikin's forces in the Crimea he made a clean sweep of all the reactionary, and in many cases, dishonest elements. He promptly surrounded himself with men of the stamp of General Shatloff and Konovoff, with both of whom the writer worked in the Caucasus for two years, and who are General Staff officers of the highest efficiency and integrity."

"But General Wrangel is something much more than a dashing cavalry leader and a great organizer. He is a student of human nature and a hard worker. His career is full of purpose. He has crowded more into his 41 years than most men. Born at Petrograd in 1879, the elder son of an impoverished Baltic baron of Swedish descent, his education was very different from that of the average Russian noble. His father, Baron Nikolai Igortchik, being poor, but avowed an idle life on his involved estates, entered the International Bank at St. Petersburg and did much to retrieve the family fortunes. Early noticing the adventurous spirit of his son, he decided to educate him as a mining engineer, with a view to sending him out prospecting in Siberia."

"At the age of 20 young Wrangel entered the Academy of Engineers at Petrograd. He finished the course brilliantly, and after serving for one year as a private in the Horse Guards, which regiment he left with the rank of captain. His success inspired him with a love of the soldier's calling, and on his return to the capital he rejoined the Horse Guards, retaining his captain's rank. A few years later he married the daughter of a wealthy Ukrainian landowner, Mr. Ivanenko."

"When the world war broke out he was given command of a squadron as senior captain of his regiment. In the first encounter of any importance between Russian and German troops the Horse Guards were decimated. The day was all but lost when Captain Wrangel, at the head of his small squadron of cavalry, and contrary to orders, charged and routed the enemy, capturing the first two German guns taken by the Russians during the war. For this daring exploit he was immediately given the rank of Colonel (all his seniors had been killed), received the St. George's Cross, and was made A.D.C. to the late Tsar. In 1915 he was appointed commander of one of the Cossack regiments on the Galician front."

"The outbreak of the Revolution found him on the Austrian front, in command of a division of Cossacks, who were prepared to die for him. He was one of the first to join the Kaledin, and after the murder of the last named straightway attached himself to General Alexieff's Volunteer Army in the south, and subsequently joined Denikin."

"As one of Denikin's generals little was heard of him, until on the retirement of Denikin, he was unanimously acclaimed the leader of the White Guard movement. A British Flying Squadron with Denikin's army was attached to Wrangel's detachment, and the British officers who came in contact with him cannot speak too highly of him. He is a man of great personal courage, and was more popular with his men than any officer in the whole of the White Army."

"When it came to fighting Wrangel lasted a fortnight."

It had been stolen, but half a minute later I recollected that I had left it on my dressing-room table."

All in court, including clever detectives smiled at the anecdote."

"Well, my dear, I suppose you got your watch?" said Lady Vaughan when her husband reached home in the evening."

"My watch?" asked Sir James."

"No, I left it at home."

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All the houses are insured."

## NEW CHINESE SCHOOL.

## OPENING CEREMONY.

## H.R. THE GOVERNOR OFFICIATES.

An important step forward in the improvement of the facilities for the education of the Chinese children of Hongkong took place this afternoon when at 2.30, His Excellency the Governor formally opened the new Man Mo Temple School, adjoining the Man Mo Temple on Hollywood Road.

The new school is thoroughly modern, and will accommodate about 300 children. Fronting on Hollywood Road is a Confucian Hall in the Chinese style of architecture, and back of it, leading from the Hall, is the school building of three stories. It is constructed of reinforced concrete, and is fireproof. It was built out of the Temple funds, assisted by a grant of \$25,000, and cost \$52,000. Messrs. Palmer and Turner were the architects.

The Governor was received at the school by the Hon. Mr. W. Hallifax, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, and the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook. Many prominent Chinese members of the community were present.

At the steps of the school, a brief address was delivered by Mr. Li Wing Kwong, Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital. This was repeated in English by Mr. Lau Chu Pak.

He expressed his pleasure at the large gathering present on such an auspicious occasion. The school has been started by direction of the Hospital, and he sincerely hoped it would accomplish a good deal in helping poor Chinese families to educate their children.

H.E. the Governor then made an address in reply. He congratulated those responsible for the progressive policy displayed, and said it was not necessary to lay stress on the importance of education, to anyone who gave thought to the subject. The question of education, he said, was not one that should be left entirely to the Government; but the community itself should help. The Government had assisted by a grant in aid, and was always willing to co-operate.

He expressed his appreciation of the activity of the Confucian Society, which already had established 24 schools; and of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, his fellow-member of the Legislative Council, whose work he felt sure was appreciated by his Chinese colleagues as much as by his friends on the Council.

One of the floors of the school, he said, was to be set aside for a normal school, under the Director of Education.

The Governor then called attention to an aspect of elementary education which, he hoped, the new school would benefit. He said it was a feature of the life of the Chinese members of the Colony that so many children were engaged in employment. Some of these children could not be left at home alone. In the new school, he said, there would be a place for them to be left.

He declared his congratulations, and personally unlocked the door with a gold key.

## BIG CITY FIRE.

## TWO HOUSES GUTTED.

## FURIOUS BLAZE.

Soon after noon to-day a stubborn fire which took over two hours to extinguish, broke out in Queen's Road Central, about a quarter of a mile west of the Central Fire Station.

The flames burned so fiercely that the houses Nos. 273 and 275, the ground floors of which were occupied by the Yuen Hui Lai and Tai Cheung, foreign and sundry goods, and umbrella shops respectively, and the two floors above used as dwellings, were completely gutted, before the flames were under control, and, after a strenuous fight, eventually extinguished.

The top floor of house No. 271 was also completely gutted, while the ground floors of Nos. 271 and 277, on either side of the gutted houses, also occupied as Chinese shops, were partly damaged by fire, and most of the goods more or less spoiled by water. All the inmates of the gutted houses managed to escape as soon as the outbreak was discovered, but very little property was saved from the flames. The fire brigade received the call at 12.30 and was on the scene in less than five minutes, by which time Nos. 273 and 275 were blazing furiously together. Houses were immediately played on the flames, but the firemen were greatly handicapped as the houses were so awkwardly situated that it was impossible to get at the flames effectively. Fire escapes were employed, and some of the fire fighters mounted the roofs of the neighbouring houses (and those opposite) more difficult because they had to take precautions to save a house in the course of construction behind the burning houses. It is at present impossible to estimate the damage, but it should run well into six figures. All the houses are insured.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

## POULTRY.

We are now in a position to supply our Own Farm Fed Chickens and Capons at the undermentioned prices.

CHICKENS . . . 60 cents per lb.  
CAPONS . . . 65 " " "

## CHEESE.

New shipments just received:—

EDAM CHEESE . . . \$3.25 per ball.  
Gouda CHEESE . . . 80 " lb.

Our own make:—

PIONIC CHEESE . . . 80 " jar.  
COULOMMIER CHEESE . . . 80 " pat.

## ST. ANDREW'S DAY.

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for the ballrooms, the most spectacular portion of the decorations, goes to Mr. Ramsay who, in turn, communicates it largely to Mr. Savage of Messrs. Little, Adams, and Wood; Mr. Wood of Lane, Crawford and Company; and Mr. K. S. Morrison, of Messrs. Bradley and Company, for the help that they gave him. Praise also is extended to the officers and men from H.M.S. "Tamar," who carried out the flag decorations both inside and outside the building. Others who did much to make the decorative scheme a success were Messrs. Graham and Bannerman, of The Hongkong Electric Lighting Company. The Hongkong Hotel Orchestra provided the music for the dancing, with the exception of the Scottish numbers, supplied by the pipers.

## SOME IMPRESSIONS.

BY "FASHION PLATE."

The St. Andrew's Society acted up to its motto, *Namquam non paratis*, by showing that it is ever ready to act the part of host as it should be. Everybody who attended the function appeared to be pleased, nay delighted at the arrangements which had been made for their comfort and amusement.

Except for the fact that there was only one Strathpey, it would be difficult for either Scot or Sassenach to find fault with the selection of dances. Towards the end of the programme the various items were cut rather short to allow the revellers to reach home before the Dairy Farm representative, but this was obviously unavoidable if the morals of the Colony were to be preserved at their present pitch. The usual collection of shining lights was to be observed, set off in a startling manner by a wholly novel colour scheme in which a hand-whispered Mr. Sinclair had a hand.

The ceiling of the larger hall room was covered in broad stripes of black, white, and orange, the walls in vertical stripes of black and white while the smaller hall-room had a ceiling of black, white, and green with the same wall decoration as the larger. The holophane lighting system gave a diffused radiance, which, bright as it appeared, neither strained the eyes nor revealed the art of the bodouit.

The stage was artistically decorated with chrysanthemums and carnations, and somebody's prize flowers garnished the tables with wonderful effect. The tables in the body of the Kirk had little vases filled with red flowers and maidenhair ferns, and they looked very attractive. The ices were simply gorgeous, and I took her word for it, not having had one myself through the sufficiency of the earlier part of the menu, and although I missed that ceremony, the staggs was played in as usual, and had a wonderful reception—I must say I enjoyed my share of it, a treat not to be had often out here.

The service and supply of food returned to the credit of those responsible for them, and I congratulate the Society on its taste in menu cards. Delightful souvenirs of a happy night in Hongkong, these were made in booklet form and tied with tartan ribbon, with the Scots' Grey's Badge and a picture of a Scots' Grey charging on the front. It is certainly the most artistic menu card that I have seen in Hongkong.

The dresses of the ladies present were charming. Nothing too out, but all very nice and showing excellent taste. Velvet was much favoured; with sequins, with lace, or with filmy tulle. One was a charming pink brocade velvet and looked extremely pretty with its fairly full skirt. A novelty in dress was a yellow "crinoline" with ruffles of narrow yellow ribbon on the skirt and a lacy bodice which set off the petite charm of its wearer. Another favourite material was blue and silver brocade, several ladies present favoured this. Trains were also popular. Lady Stubbs having a short one to complete her velvet rose draped chiffon was another favourite, and a rather original dress was one of green taffetas with edgings of gold ribbon and two side panels remarkably embroidered with large pale pink flowers. I saw some wonderful gowns of which sequins formed quite a large part, and their glitter made quite a contrast to several plain little filmy gowns which were much admired. I am sure, by all who noticed them. It would take considerable time to describe all the frocks I would like to mention. They were all so pretty.

I must add a word of praise for







